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SUBJ: WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY; PROPOSED RESOLUTION ON
LIBERATION STRUGGLE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA

1. BOTSWANA, MOZAMBIQUE, RWANDA AND SWAZILAND ON
19 MAY PROPOSED FOLLOWING DRAFT RESOLUTION CIRCULATED
AS A/31/B/CONF.PAPER NO.10. GUIDANCE REQUESTED.

QUOTE NOTING WITH GREAT CONCERN THE CONTINUED MASSACRING
OF THE INNOCENT CIVILIANS BY THE RACIST REGIME OF
IAN SMITH, MUZOREWA, SITHOLE AND CHIEF CHIRAU IN
ZIMBABWE, IN PARTICULAR THE KILLING OF 87 PEOPLE ON
14 MAY, 1978,

AWARE OF THE RECENT INVASION OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC
OF ANGOLA BY THE RACIST SOUTH AFRICAN TROOPS WHICH
CULMINATED IN THE MASSIVE LOSS OF LIVES OF THE NAMIBIAN
PEOPLE AT THE CASSINGA REFUGEE CAMP,

RECOGNIZING THE DENIAL OF THE ADEQUATE MEDICAL FACILITIES
FOR THE NON-WHITE POPULATION OF SOUTH AFRICA IN
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PARTICULAR THE ILL-TREATMENT OF THE MENTAL PATIENTS
AND THE TORTURING OF POLITICAL PRISONERS WHICH
RESULTED IN THE RECENT DEATH OF STEVE BIKO AND SEVERAL
OTHERS,

APPRECIATING THE CONCERTED EFFORTS OF THE DIRECTORS-
GENERAL OF THE WHO, UNHCR, UNDP, UNICEF, ICRC AND OTHER

ASSOCIATED BODIES FOR THE ASSISTANCE THEY HAVE
RENDERED TO THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS,

1. CALLS UPON THE WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY TO CONDEMN
THE RACIST MINORITY REGIMES OF SOUTHERN AFRICA FOR THEIR
AGGRESSIVE ACTIVITIES AGAINST NEIGHBOURING STATES
OF MOZAMBIQUE, BOTSWANA, ZAMBIA AND ANGOLA;

2. DECIDES TO SET UP A LARGE SCALE SPECIAL PRO-
GRAMME OF COOPERATION WITH THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS
RECOGNIZED BY THE OAU;

3. RESOLVES THAT WHO SHOULD, IN THIS FRAMEWORK,
ENDEAVOUR IMMEDIATELY TO MEET THE EXPRESS NEEDS OF THE
LIBERATION MOVEMENTS CONCERNED, WITH REGARD TO:

(A) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN PUBLIC HEALTH
AS WELL AS IN MEDICAL AREAS, AS
NECESSARY;

(B) MEDICAMENTS AND OTHER MEDICAL SUPPLIES
NEEDED FOR THE PREVENTION AND CONTROL
OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES AS WELL AS FOR THE
TREATMENT OF THE SICK AND MUTILATED
POPULATION;

4. FURTHER DECIDES THAT:
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(A) ALL FREE FORMS OF ASSISTANCE SHALL BE
PROVIDED IN THE MOST EXPEDITIOUS AND
FLEXIBLE WAY THROUGH SIMPLIFIED PROCEDURES;

(B) THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE SPECIALIZED
AGENCIES SHALL BE ASKED TO CONTRIBUTE
AS FAR AS POSSIBLE TO THIS PROGRAMME OF
ACTION;

5. AUTHORIZES THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL TO FINANCE THIS
PROGRAMME FROM ANY SOURCE OF FUNDS AVAILABLE TO THE
ORGANIZATION, INCLUDING THE RESOURCES ACCUMULATED IN THE
SPECIAL ACCOUNT FOR DISASTERS AND NATURAL CATASTROPHES
UNDER THE VOLUNTARY FUND FOR HEALTH PROMOTIONS, FUNDS
AVAILABLE IN THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL'S AND REGIONAL DIREC-
TORS' DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME, POSSIBLE SAVINGS AND, AS
NECESSARY, THE EXECUTIVE BOARD SPECIAL FUND;

6. INVITES THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL TO PURSUE ALL
POSSIBLE EFFORTS TO ENLIST SUPPORT FROM GOVERNMENTAL AND
NON-GOVERNMENTAL SOURCES FOR THIS OPERATION;

7. APPEALS TO ALL MEMBER STATES TO MAKE VOLUNTARY
CONTRIBUTIONS TO THIS PROGRAMME;

8. REQUESTS THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL TO REPORT TO THE
63RD SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND THE 32ND WORLD
HEALTH ASSEMBLY ON THE MEASURES TAKEN AND ASSISTANCE
PROVIDED TO THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS UNDER THIS PROGRAMME.
END QUOTE. VANDEN HEUVEL

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